



Hazus- MH

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HAZUS-MH: FEMA'S SOFTWARE PROGRAM FOR ESTIMATING POTENTIAL LOSSES FROM DISASTERS

Outline

INTRODUCTION

HAZUS-MH METHODOLOGY

MITIGATION PLANNING

BENEFIT – COST ANALYSIS

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HAZUS-MH & HAZARDS



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HAZUS-MH: GIS Technology

- HAZUS since 1997

Arc Desktop 7.1

Cameo – Identify chemicals & properties

Aloha – Dispersal model

Landview – Demographics

Marplot – search engine from TierII data



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HAZUS-MH Components

Identify Hazard

Model Inventory

Quantify Impact

comprehensive risk
assessment by
integrating
information of
hazards with
inventory
information

Risk Assessment



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HAZUS-MH Inventory

Building Inventory

- Demographic Data
- Exposure (# & \$)
- Agriculture
- Buildings

Utility

- Water
- Oil and Gas
- Electric Power
- Communication

Transportation

- Highway Systems
- Railway Systems
- Ports & Harbors
- Airport Facilities

Critical Facilities

- Schools
- Hospitals
- Police & Fire Stations
- Dams



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Mitigation Planning Benefit - Cost Analysis

It's a comparison of
Before mitigation conditions
to the
After mitigation conditions.

If damages are reduced after mitigation is implemented, then there are benefits to count.



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Chemical Hazards

CAMEO:

- Chemical Library to identify chemical and properties
- Notify special response resources
- Located plot plans, facility layouts, and chemical inventories

ALOHA: Dispersion model

- Determine initial isolation zones



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Benefit Cost Analysis

*If the benefits are greater than costs,
the project is cost-effective.*

Some things are more cost-effective
than others.

*The benefit-cost ratio (BCR) is used to
compare cost-effectiveness.*



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Benefit Cost Analysis

Benefits are more difficult to determine than costs.

Benefits happen in the future and must be calculated probabilistically (statistically).

Project costs are easier to determine because they occur up front and are determined by cost estimates for each project.



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The Concept of Risk

“Risk” is a simple term for the monetary value of future damages.

“Value” means that future damages are always expressed in terms of money.

“Risk” is the single most important concept in mitigation planning and Benefit – Cost Analysis (BCA).



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The Concept of Risk

Risk equation :

Hazard and Risk

**HAZARD
(FREQUENCY
& SEVERITY)**

**Probability
of Damaging
HAZARDS**

X

**PROPERTY
EXPOSED
TO
HAZARD**

**Value and
Vulnerability
of Property
Exposed
to Hazard**

=

**HAZARD
RISK
(DOLLARS)**

**Severity
of Threat
to the Built
Environment**



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HAZUS-MH Impact Assessment

Hazard

EQ
Flood
Wind
WMD

Inventory

Building Stock
Critical Facilities
Transportation
Utility
Demographics

Vulnerability

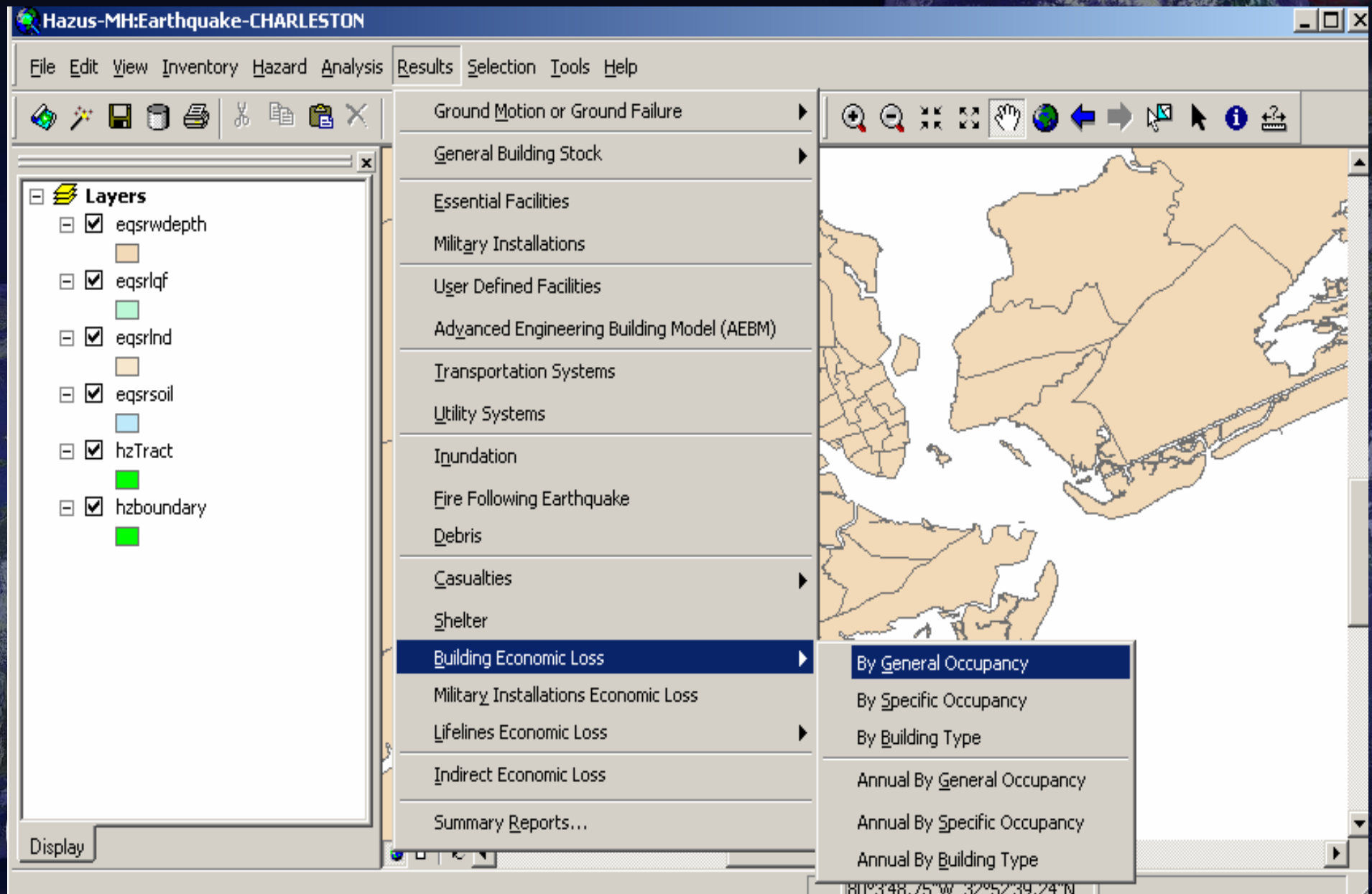
Building Stock
Schools
Hospitals
Transportation
Vulnerability
Utility
Police Stations
Fire Stations
EOC



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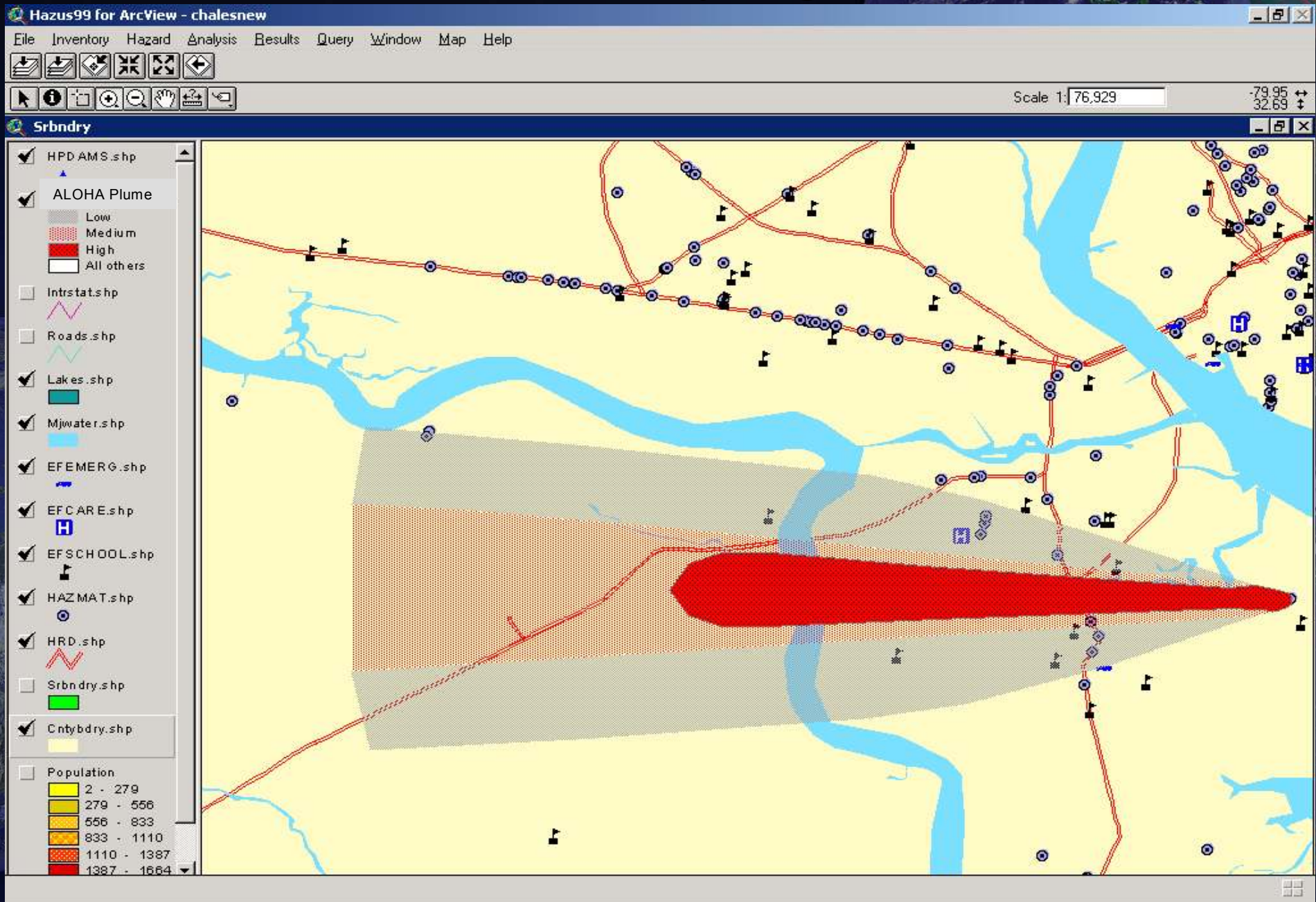
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HAZUS-MH Results Menu



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ALOHA Plume Overlaying HAZUS-MH



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- **IDENTIFY** vulnerable areas that may require planning considerations (e.g., land use or building code requirements)
- **ASSESS** the level of readiness and preparedness to deal with a disaster before the disaster occurs
- **ESTIMATE** potential losses from specific hazard events, including pre-event, near real-time, and post-event report capability
- **DECIDE** on how to allocate resources for the most effective and efficient response and recovery
- **PRIORITIZE** the mitigation measures that need to be implemented to reduce future losses



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Federal, State, and Local governments
use HAZUS
for pre-disaster Preparedness and Mitigation
and
post-disaster Planning & Response

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HAZUS-MH and Risk Management

Prepare

Physical Impacts

Mitigate

Economic Impacts

Recover

Social Impacts

Respond



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Identify Hazards

Hazard regulation & control measures.



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